Arts Administration

College of Fine Arts

Master of Arts

The University of Kentucky prepares the next generation of arts leaders through its innovative online MA in Arts Administration. This degree is designed to serve a vibrant nonprofit arts and cultural industry that attracts more than 78 million Americans each year and generates $135 billion in economic activity annually that support 4.1 million jobs.

Ideal candidates for the M.A. include individuals who have experience in the arts or arts management and have the desire to supplement this experience with more in-depth training in the form of an advanced business and nonprofit arts-focused degree. These include persons who have graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Arts Administration, the arts, or a related field and professionals with experience in the arts or arts management.

UK offers its M.A. in Arts Administration as a completely online program. This provides several benefits to UK graduate students:

- **Flexibility** - For working professionals, an online program is ideal to provide the flexibility needed to balance work, school and personal obligations.
- **Time and location** - There is no residency requirement. The program is designed for students to have equal access no matter where they are located.
- **Affordability** - All students accepted into the Arts Administration M.A. program pay the in-state tuition rate regardless of residential location. Additionally, there are a number of financial aid options available to students who meet the requirements.
- **Quality instruction** - Students who attend online classes will receive the same quality instruction as those who would attend class on-campus.

**Admission Requirements**

The MA Program is open to qualified applicants who have earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in the United States or abroad. All candidates for admission are selected on the basis of undergraduate transcripts, academic and personal references, and related work experience. Applicants are expected to have a demonstrable commitment to the arts in at least one art form. This requirement can be satisfied in several ways including an undergraduate degree in an art form or arts-related field; professional experience in the arts; or extra-curricular activity in the arts.

All applicants whose native language is not English will be required to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores. The minimum acceptable TOEFL score is 550 (paper-based) 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based). The minimum IELTS score is 6.5. Submitted scores must be no more than two years old.

**Application Procedures**

To apply for admission to the MA in Arts Administration, applications must be submitted online to the UK Graduate School. New graduate students are accepted in the fall and spring semester.